# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
# LOK SABHA

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INDO-JAPAN ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have a proposal to expand Indo-Japan Economic co-operation;

(b) if so, the details of the proposals mooted in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken to implement those proposals?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (ANANDRAO V. ADSUL)

(a), (b) & (c) Yes, Sir. Consequent upon lifting of economic sanctions by Japan on India in October 2001, the Policy Dialogue on economic cooperation was held in March, 2002. The Policy Dialogue was significantin the context of the Indo-Japan economic co-operation being put back on tracks. The Government of Japan and the Government of India throughmutual consultations have identified economic infrastructure, environmental protection and basic human needs like health, education, water and sanitation as the areas for possible assistance.

Government of Japan has recently committed official development assistance loan of Japanese Yen 110 billion under financial year 2002 for seven projects. A development study on water quality management plan for Ganga river has also been agreed.